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All are invited to a talk and reception on Friday, April 7 at 2:15 pm in the SML Lecture Hall about Justice at Dachau – a two-hour presentation that explores the largest yet least known war crimes trials in history.

Told through the eyes of William Denson, chief prosecutor, it explores his attempts to achieve justice for the victims of the Holocaust and the procedural and psychic obstacles he faced during the more than two years he worked on the trials. Special investigators working in the field of international law today recognize Denson as a pioneer of universal human rights, for which he received a Presidential citation shortly before his death in 1998.

The presentation, by Joshua M. Greene, is based on his critically acclaimed book, Justice at Dachau: The Trials of an American Prosecutor. Mr. Greene is a former adjunct instructor of religious studies at Hofstra University. His book Witness: Voices from the Holocaust, also critically acclaimed, was adapted for broadcast by PBS. In addition to being an author, Mr. Greene is a documentarian whose credits include Hitler's Courts: Betrayal of the Rule of Law in Nazi Germany and, most recently, Memory After Belsen: The Future of Holocaust Memory.

A reception will follow the talk. All are welcome.

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